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In re Application of

Christoph Kessler et al

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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed December 9, 2004, for withdrawal of abandonment of the above identified application based on filing of a timely reply.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed a Final Office action to applicants on May 19, 2004, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Applicants replied by filing a Notice of Appeal on November 22, 2004 (Certificate of Mailing dated November 18, 2004), including a request for a three month extension of time and fees therefor. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed to applicants on November 24, 2004, erroneously. In view of the timely reply the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The two month time period for filing of an Appeal Brief under 37 CFR 1.192(a) runs from the mail date of this petition decision, or as may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number.

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